RESOLUTION NO. 85

AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDING AND AN AGREEMENT WITH NEW YORK STATE OFFICE FOR THE AGING REGARDING THE MEDICARE IMPROVEMENT FOR PATIENTS AND PROVIDERS ACT GRANT TO ENHANCE THE HEALTH INSURANCE INFORMATION COUNSELING AND ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Introduced: 3/11/19

By Social Services Committee:

WHEREAS, The Commissioner has requested authorization to enter into an agreement with the New York State Office for the Aging (NYSOFA) regarding the MIPPA grant funding used to enhance the HIICAP, NY Connects, and other aging agencies in an amount not to exceed \$18,830 for the term commencing September 30, 2018 and ending September 29, 2019, and

WHEREAS, The MIPPA program supports local Area Agencies on Aging, HIICAP providers, and NY Connects program providers in their efforts to educate and assist eligible Medicare beneficiaries with enrollment into the Medicare Low-Income Subsidy (LIS) program and the Medicare Savings Program (MSP), and

WHEREAS, In addition, the Commissioner has indicated the grant funding will be utilized to provide counseling and assistance to those beneficiaries who are low-income, underserved, and/or residing in rural areas with accessing the Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage Part D and to promote the availability of Medicare preventive and wellness services, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to enter into an agreement with the NYSOFA regarding MIPPA grant funding to be used to enhance HIICAP, NY Connects, and other aging agencies in an amount not to exceed \$18,830 for the term commencing September 30, 2018 and ending September 29, 2019, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney is authorized to approve said agreement as to form and content, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

Adopted by unanimous vote – 3/11/19